

RECYCLING AT WORK

- What goes in the **PAPER RECYCLING BIN**: Office paper, cardboard, catalogues, magazines, newspaper, phone books, mixed paper, clean paper bags.
- What goes in the **CANS & BOTTLES BIN**: Aluminum cans, glass bottles, plastic #1 (PET) bottles, Plastic #2 (HDPE) bottles, tin cans

- Recycling saves the City money: There would be a savings of \$51 for every ton of ordinary garbage that doesn't have to be processed, shipped and disposed of in a landfill. This process currently requires three dedicated trains per week and the use of a site in Oregon. Without recycling, SPU would be paying for five such trains per week.
- Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to power a computer for 3 hours
- Recycling one ton of plastic saves the equivalent of 3.85 barrels of oil
- Manufacturing recycled content paper uses about 60 percent of the energy used to make paper from virgin wood pulp.
- Preventing 1 ton of paper waste saves between 15 and 17 mature trees.
- In 2000, approximately 300,000 tons of material were recycled in Seattle - which means that **655,000** metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions were avoided - equivalent to taking 2239 SUVs off the road permanently.
- Ream wrap (the wrapping material on a ream of paper) is not recyclable. There is a polymer coating on the inside to keep moisture out.

Need another recycling bin or have questions on the recycling program for your building?

- Fleets and Facilities, including all downtown offices except Key Tower: Rick Ritch (684-0178)
- Key Tower: Cushman & Wakefield, Diane Murray 624-7005
- Parks Department: Dawn Blanch, 733-9703
- City Light: Janice Gedlund, 386-4583
- Seattle Public Utilities: Chris Luboff, 684-7644
- Libraries: Rick Nishi, 386-4158
- Office of Sustainability and Environment: Kim Drury, 684-3214